SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS DRAFT 2006 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

NOTICE OF AVAILABLITY AND PUBLIC HEARING

The Southern California Association of Governments has prepared a Draft 2006 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) in compliance with the adopted 2004 Regional Transportation Plan and all appropriate federal and state regulations, including the air quality goals established by the State Implementation Plan.

The Draft 2006 RTIP is comprised of transportation projects for the six-county SCAG region: Imperial, Orange, Los Angeles, Riverside, San Bernardino, and Ventura. The Draft 2006 RTIP (project listing) is consistent with the 2004 RTP. The Draft 2006 RTIP consists of three volumes: 1) Executive Summary, 2) Project Listing, and 3) Technical Appendix. The Technical Appendix includes the federally required conformity analyses for the Draft 2006 RTIP. The final approval by SCAG's Regional Council will include the conformity determination for the 2006 RTIP and a re-determination of conformity for the 2004 RTP. The review period for the Draft 2006 RTIP begins on June 26, 2006 and concludes on July 25, 2006.

The public hearing is scheduled on June 29, 2006, 10:00 a.m. at the SCAG offices which is located at 818 West 7th Street, 12th Floor, Los Angeles, CA.

Included in the public review and public hearings of the Draft 2006 RTIP are the Federal Fiscal Year 2007 and 2008 program of projects for projects funded with Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 funds for all urbanized areas in the SCAG six-county region. The projects are listed in each respective county in Volume III of the Draft 2006 RTIP. The areas are as follows: El Centro, Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana, Lancaster-Palmdale, Santa Clarita, Mission Viejo, Hemet, Indio-Cathedral City- Palm Springs, Temecula-Murrieta, Riverside-San Bernardino, Victorville-Hesperia-Apple Valley, Camarillo, Simi Valley, and Thousand Oaks urbanized areas.

The entire Draft 2006 RTIP is available on the SCAG website at http://www.scag.ca.gov, beginning June 26, 2006. Copies are available for review at the SCAG office and at various public libraries throughout the region (library listing available on the SCAG website noted above). All comments must be submitted in writing to SCAG no later than (5:00 p.m.) July 25, 2006. Please direct all comments to:

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